THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE K.C. BHANU

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WRIT PETITION NO : 20699 of 2005

Dated: 21.09.2005

Between:

Thota Koteswara Rao S/o Appaiah
R/o Chakkapalli Village, Musunuru Mandla,

Kishna District and another.

..... PETITIONERS

AND

Governement of India, rep by Under Secretary,

Finance Ministry, Department of Economic Affairs,
New Delhi and another.

… **RESPONDENTS**

ORDER:

The petitioners are farmers. They have obtained crop loans of Rs.10,000/- and Rs.15,000/- respectively, from the second respondent-State Bank of India, Chintalapudi Branch, West Godavari District, in the year 1988. Due to severe drought they could not repay the said loan amounts to the Bank. While so, the first respondent has evolved a scheme under the name and style of Agricultural and

Debt Relief Scheme, 1990 to write off the crop loans upto Rs.10,000/-. Based on that scheme, the Reserve Bank of India directed all the banks to implement the said scheme. However, the second respondent failed to apply the same to the case of petitioners, instead filed suits in O.S.Nos.156 and 184 of 1994 and proceeding with the execution of the *ex parte* decrees passed in the said suits. Hence this writ petition.

Heard learned counsel for petitioners and the learned standing counsel appearing for respondents.

The second respondent has to take appropriate decision to consider the case of petitioners. Therefore, without entering into the merits of the case, I deem it appropriate to dispose of the writ petition directing the petitioners to give representations to the second respondent furnishing all the details and thereafter the second respondent shall take appropriate decision within four weeks from the date of receipt of representations from the petitioners.

The writ petition, with the above directions, is disposed of. No costs.

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21.09.2005

Note: Furnish C.C.,by tomorrow.

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